Remarks

Claims 1-20 are pending. The Examiner has entered a restriction requirement as between:

Group I – claims 1-11 and 17-19, drawn to a process for preparing polymer substantially in the absence of ultraviolet radiation; and

Group II – claims 12-16 and 20, drawn to method of manufacture that includes the steps of reducing residual monomer by action of ultraviolet light.

Applicants elect to prosecute the invention of Group I.

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